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THE REAL FACTS.

So many cock and bull stories are being circulated as to what \$20,000 city hall bonds will cost each individual tax-payer, that at this late date these facts are presented.

The assessed valuation of the city, including railroad property, is in round numbers nine hundred thousand dollars.

The proposed bonds will draw five per cent interest and to pay that interest a one and one-tenth mill levy will be laid.

If your property is worth \$2,000, it is assessed at \$400, and the one and one-tenth mill levy would result in you paying a tax of forty-four cents a year as your share of the interest. If your property is worth \$3,000 and assessed at \$600 your share would be sixty-six cents per year, and so on according to the value of your property. These figures are absolutely correct.

The simple question is: Can you afford to pay forty-four or sixty-six cents a year for the sake of having proper headquarters for the fire department; a city hall in which to safely keep the records of the city, and proper offices for the city government.

A more efficient fire department means cheaper rates of insurance.

If you can afford to pay this amount for these advantages, vote for the city hall bonds; if you think you can't afford it, vote against them.

Remember this, also, that the Union Pacific is by far the heaviest tax-payer in North Platte, and that it will pay its proportion of these interest charges.

Will Ask Franchise for

Light and Power Plant.

Frank B. Hadley, of Omaha, representing capitalists of Chicago, arrived in North Platte yesterday, and after looking over the town, has concluded to ask the city council for a franchise to operate an electric and gas plant; asking for this privilege on the ground that light and power will be furnished more cheaply and that the service will be better than at present. If a franchise can be secured, Mr. Hadley says that a central heating plant, to furnish steam for heating stores and residences, will probably be installed, as well as the operation of an ice making plant and cold storage building.

Mr. Hadley expects to present the proposition to the city council at the meeting tonight, and while it will no doubt receive respectful attention, it is not likely to receive any serious consideration; this in view of the manner in which franchises have been treated by the voters in the past.

North Platte to have a Creamery Plant.

Secretary Crosby of the Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of a communication from Messrs. Hyatt and Osterholm of Kearney, the parties who were in the city a few weeks ago looking over conditions relative to the establishment of a creamery, stating that they were very favorably impressed with the outlook and prospects for such a business at this place. They state that they are at this time arranging for the purchase of equipment and that they expect to be ready to commence operation not later than September 12.

Drouth Broken by

Last Night's Rain.

The drouth which had prevailed in the immediate vicinity of North Platte for practically six weeks, was broken last night by a precipitation reported at sixty-one one hundredths of an inch by Observer Shilling. At this writing the territory covered by the rain cannot be ascertained, but from appearances it covered quite a section of country.

In some cases the rain will prove beneficial to corn, but general speaking the corn is practically past redemption. This opinion was expressed by Joseph Hershey this morning as it relates to his corn on his farms southeast of town and others are of the same opinion.

Lutheran Picnic.

The Lutheran picnic last week was considered a success in every particular. About 300 were present. Two baseball games, one by the women and the other by the men, and other games and races furnished the entertainment for the afternoon and evening. At seven o'clock the crowd sat down by families or companies to enjoy the contents of the many baskets filled for the occasion. Lemonade and ice cream cones were furnished by the brotherhood.

Real Estate Loans.

Buchanan & Patterson have plenty of money on hand to make real estate loans on farms, ranches and city property. Loans closed promptly, no delay Rates and terms the most favorable.

Mrs. Dorothy Linburg, who had been the guest of Mrs. J. R. Carroll for a week, returned to her home in Sidney Sunday.

Bonds of all kinds executed while you wait. C. F. Temple.

Local and Personal

Mrs. George Coates is visiting at the parental home in Grand Island.

Mrs. H. L. Evans is in Kearney visiting her sister Mrs. M. J. Wolfe.

Ray Murray, of Lincoln, was a visitor in town Sunday and yesterday.

Mrs. L. L. Greeno and son leave today for a visit with relatives at Wayne, Neb.

Vote for the Babies

Mrs. James Hart, who had been visiting in Omaha, returned home this morning.

The Kearney state league team will play the Riverdale team at Arnold August 27th.

Mrs. Geo. R. Smith and son have been visiting friends in Omaha for several days.

The Episcopal guild will hold a social meeting at the parish house Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. A. M. Dill, now making her home in Chicago, is the guest of North Platte friends.

The Christian Aid Society will meet Thursday with Mrs. Thayer, 820 west Sixth street.

The Presbyterian church carnival will be held on September 11th. Be sure and reserve the date.

W. V. Hoagland returned this morning from Lincoln, where he had been transacting legal business.

Most Popular Baby Contest.

Mrs. Harry Murrin and children went to Cheyenne yesterday to visit relatives and witness the Frontier celebration.

The Yeoman ball team went to Hershey Sunday afternoon and defeated the team of that village by a score of fourteen to thirteen.

Chris Haner, of Bignell, made final proof on his homestead yesterday. He was accompanied by Fred Brooks and John Discoe as witnesses.

For Rent—Modern new, nine room furnished house. Phone 361.

A. R. Anderson, a general agent of the Mid-West Life Insurance Co., of Lincoln, has arrived in North Platte and will make this city his home and headquarters.

Miss Comfort Conway left Saturday night for Omaha and St. Louis, where she will spend a week at the wholesale houses buying fall and winter goods for the Tramp dry goods department.

At The Keith Theatre

Engineers Whitlock and Winkowitch will leave in a few days for Encampment for a week's fishing. Last year Mr. Winkowitch made the trip in his car, found it so pleasant and satisfactory that he will again travel by that mode.

For Sale—A new china cabinet. Phone 361.

Loren Sturges and O. H. Thoelecke returned yesterday from Wyoming where they spent ten days fishing. They first tried the Bear river south of Evanston, and later went to Centennial. At both places the fishing was only fair. While away they took time to visit Salt Lake and Ogden.

Caught Again

This time the Haspel barn, etc. and Bratt & Goodman pay the loss.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Alden returned Saturday from their automobile trip to Kimball, Denver and other western points.

Will Develop Water

Power on Birdwood

Senator Hoagland, who filed a water right application on the Birdwood creek for power purposes a couple of years ago, has allowed his right to lapse, and an Omaha party has filed an application for the same purpose. The Omaha man leaves this week for the east to interest capitalists in the proposed plant.

The cost of the plant is estimated at \$130,000, which includes the dam and reservoir, the four-foot steel pipe from the dam to the power house, the power house and the transmission lines to Hershey, Sutherland and North Platte. It is also the intention to supply farmers of the valley with light and power.

The Omaha party is represented to be a solid business man and not a mere promoter, and it is generally believed that the proposed project will assume material shape within a year.

Drugs.

For all acute or chronic diseases, the indicated Homeopathic remedy always the safest, quickest and best.

TWINEM'S DRUG DEPT.

Sunday School Picnic.

The annual picnic of the Presbyterian Sunday School will be held in the Dillion grove Thursday afternoon of this week, and a hearty invitation is given to all members of the church and congregation. Lunch will be served at 6:30 for the convenience of the those who cannot come until after business hours.

Games and amusements will be provided for all, come and have a good time.

Argue Gering Complaint Before Commission.

Attorneys Halligan and Hoagland, of this city, were in Lincoln yesterday arguing before the railway commission the complaint made several months ago by the people of Gering against the Union Pacific on the depot matter.

The company, in building through Gering, left the business portion of the town about a mile from where the depot was located. The people of that portion of the town raised a protest, claiming that it is a damage to them and that the road could have been built and the depot located nearer the town.

People on the other hand, who live around the new location are making a fight to keep the depot where the company first decided to build. Senator Hoagland appeared for the Gering people who are protesting, while J. J. Halligan represents the people who want the new location and appear in the case as intervenors. The railroad company is making no fight either way.

An Insurance Policy.

Against loss by fire, lightning, tornado, cyclone and windstorm, when written by Bratt & Goodman, is good as gold. Let them write you one.

Miss Jeannette Alden, of Lodge Pole, is a guest at the W. T. Alden home.

The Baptist aid society will be entertained Friday afternoon in the basement of the church.

Donald and Charles Yost went to Green River Friday to spend a week with their aunt Mrs. George Barrett.

The Methodist aid society will go to the Experimental farm and meet with Mrs. Stackhouse Thursday afternoon. Those having conveyances in which they will take some of the ladies having none, report to Mrs. Crook. Those wishing to go meet at the church at 2:45.

Plans for Land

Opening Undecided.

The following Washington special appeared in the Sunday Bee:

Plans for opening about 300,000 acres of the North Platte forest reserve to settlement have been halted, a question as to the legality and desirability of the method partially decided upon having arisen. The department had proposed to allow settlers to go upon the land they desired a month in advance of filing, thinking to do away with the plan of drawing allotments. The legality of this method has been questioned since the plan was proposed and objections were also entered by the land offices at both Broken Bow and North Platte, each of which has jurisdiction over some of the land to be opened.

The fear has been expressed that because the land is rough and hilly more than one prospective settler might select the same piece of land unwittingly and that it would result in all sorts of complications and possible violent disputes as to which had the prior claim.

Representative Kinkaid has taken the matter up with the secretary of the interior and believes that if a special act is necessary it can be passed on time to allow the opening to take place this fall. He is waiting for a recommendation from the secretary. In the meantime all plans regarding the proposed opening are up in the air.

Some Taxes and Some "Holler."

The levy of taxes against property in the village of Hershey for the year 1913 is ninety-six and eight-tenth mills, the heaviest levy that has ever been laid against a town or precinct subdivision in Lincoln county, but fortunately this excessive levy is only for the present year. This burdensome tax is largely due to the school levy, which is fifty mills, and of this thirty mills has been levied to pay a judgment secured by Dave Thomson of this city for money due on the new school building, the board having run short of money to pay Mr. Thomson as contractor. Outside of this levy for the schools, the tax exacted of the Hershey people is not heavy.

Putting Money in Circulation.

The board of county commissioners completed making the levy of taxes Saturday and yesterday morning began auditing and allowing claims against the county, some of which have been of rather long standing. A good many thousands of dollars will be put into circulation by the allowance of these claims, and a large part of it will go to the farmers, who like town people, have need of a little cash these days of dry and hot weather.

FOR RENT

Houses, rooms, storage room and safe deposit boxes.

Bratt & Goodman.

News Items of

Neighboring Counties.

The Garden county fair will be held at Lowellen Sept. 24th to 26th inclusive.

The corn in the vicinity of Oshkosh is said to be in fine condition. The farmers in the sand hills will have a big crop.

September 17, 18th and 19th are the dates of the McPherson county fair, which will be held at Flats.

A reunion of the Latter Day Saints will be held at Pleasant View Branch, near Tryon, Sept. 5th to 15th. Free conveyances from North Platte on September 4th.

The Nichols Hotel at Stapleton was sold last week to F. W. Smith of Columbus. The property was built and owned by the Loup Valley Land Co.

W. C. Allison, living in the south part of Logan county and father of Clyde Allison, suffered a paralytic stroke last week. He is in his eighty-seventh year and he is not likely to recover.

Tuesday the rainfall at Stapleton was 1.48 inches and the following night nearly as heavy a rain fell; over two and one-half inches in all of thirty-six hours.

Farmers around Gothenburg decline to sign contracts to the Peters Mill Co. for alfalfa at \$7.50 per ton. As a result the alfalfa meal mill may not be operated this season.

H. G. Fisher, living north of Cozad, has put down a well 115 feet deep from which to pump water for irrigation purposes. The pump will be operated with a 75-horse power engine, and the flow of water will irrigate seven acres of corn per day. The well cost \$1,600 and the cost of running the engine is \$12.00 per day.

How the Trouble Starts.

Constipation is the cause of many ailments and disorders that make life miserable. Take Chamberlain's Tablets, keep your bowels regular and you will avoid these diseases. For sale by all dealers.

Signs Contracts for

the Aeroplane Flights.

In connection with the Lincoln County Fair and Fall Festival, which is to be held in North Platte September 17, 18th and 19th, there will be two aeroplane flights each day by the Young Aeroplane company of Kansas City, according to a contract closed with these people by the entertainment committee a few days ago.

Another attractive feature for the festival will be a three days base ball tournament. Cash prizes are being offered that will attract the stronger teams of the state and the North Platte team, a former Mink League ball team, will compete.

The committee in charge is leaving nothing undone to make this one of the most enjoyable and elaborate affairs that has been held in the city of recent years.

The agricultural and stock exhibits which will be displayed will make it well worth one's while to be in attendance. Aside from the base ball tournament all features as near as possible will be free.

By all means arrange to be in North Platte on the above dates and take advantage of the rare entertainment opportunities offered. The fair association and the Chamber of Commerce will leave nothing undone to make your stay in the city a pleasant one.

Bratt & Goodman have some great bargains in nice houses, vacant lots, improved farms and farm land that can be sold on easy payments. See them before you buy.

Miss Mary Craigie left Sunday morning for Paxton where she will spend a two weeks' vacation with her sister.

Mrs. Dee Raney and children, of Wallace, who had been visiting relatives in town, returned home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Warren Hogge and Miss Margaret Craigie returned Sunday evening from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Moline, Ill.

F. J. Diener & Co., Real Estate and Insurance, Farm and city property for sale.

Mrs. Joseph Kelly, who was formerly a resident of North Platte, died Thursday of last week at Aurora, Oregon, to which place she removed from Omaha a few months ago.

J. B. McDonald, Fred Rincker and W. H. McDonald are home from Denver where they spent a very enjoyable week mixing with Knight Templar brethren. They are loud in their praise of the way Denver made beautiful the city for the reception of the knights.

I have several bargains in City Real Estate, and can arrange to sell them on easy terms. See me at once. C. F. Temple.

CRYSTAL THEATRE

Tuesday's Program

His Friend, the Undertaken, released Aug. 1.
Fate and Three, released Aug. 1.
In After Years, released Aug. 1.

Wednesday Program

Death Stone of India; three reels
Bison, released Aug. 5.

Thursday's Program

Power of Heredity, Rex drama released July 31.
Grease Paints Indian, Eclair comedy released Aug. 8.
United at Gettysburg, Imp Drama, released Aug. 8th.

Stability, Efficiency and Service

Have been the Factors in the growth of the

First National Bank,

—of—
NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS;
One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars.

Drouth is Sure to

Increase Price of Beef.

Sharp increase in the prices of fresh beef are expected to follow the drouth that is scorching the cattle growing states of Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska and Oklahoma and officials of the Department of Agriculture are not concealing their anxiety over the outlook. The anxiety is increased by unfavorable reports, said to have been received from agents now in South America concerning the condition of the cattle there.

In anticipation of the increased meat imports that would follow the passage of the new tariff measure, Dr. A. B. Melvin was sent by the department to South America to observe the manner in which cattle were slaughtered and meat packed in those countries. He is said to have reported that hoof and mouth epidemics are raging in Argentina, the principal meat growing country of South America, and this necessarily would bar the entrance of such meat to the United States.

Australia, in the event of serious shortage, is expected to furnish meat consumed by Americans in the immediate near future. This supply may be limited, however, because of Great Britain's demands if the Argentina market fails her.

Unsettled weather with showers tonight or Wednesday, cooler tonight. Light winds. Highest temperature yesterday 94, a year ago 89; lowest temperature last night 68, a year ago 60.

Wanted—Two first class waitresses, experienced and neat in appearance, salary six dollars a week, board and room. The Burlington Hotel, Alliance, Neb.

NORTH PLATTE PROOF

Should Convince Every Tribune Reader.

The frank statement of a neighbor telling the merits of a remedy. Bids you pause and believe. The same endorsement. By some stranger far away. Commands no belief at all. Here is a North Platte case. A North Platte person testifies. Read and be convinced.

August Ackerman, 221 S. Walnut St., North Platte, Neb., says, "I still hold a very high opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills. I used them for backache, arising from disordered kidneys and received the best of results. It is over three years since I have had occasion to use Doan's Kidney Pills but my health has been splendid, not a symptom of kidney trouble having bothered me. I can endorse this excellent remedy."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

EMPRESS THEATRE

TUESDAY

"Springtime of Life", Big three reel special.

WEDNESDAY

"A Knife of Fire."
"Broncho Billy and the School Ma'am Sweetheart."
"The Alibi."

Special Music